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CMSP Letter 89-6

TO: County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Dental Providers

SUBJECT: EXPANSION OF DENTAL BENEFITS TO CMSP BENEFICIARIES

Our records reflect that you have accepted CMSP beneficiaries in the past. Therefore, you are aware that, due to limited funding, our dental benefits have been limited to:

- o Reduction and treatment of oral and maxillo-facial fractures and dislocations; and,
- o Treatment of dental alveolar abscesses.

The recent enactment of legislation, AB 75, has resulted in substantial revenues to the CMSP. The Small County Advisory Committee (SCAC) to the CMSP has taken action requesting that a top priority for expenditure of these revenues be increasing the coverage of dental benefits to CMSP beneficiaries.

Effective January 1, 1990, the scope of dental benefits under CMSP shall be the same as for Medi-Cal beneficiaries. The expansion to full scope Medi-Cal dental benefits has required a contract with Delta Dental (Denti-Cal) for claims processing. Claims for services provided to CMSP beneficiaries January 1, 1990 and after should be submitted on Denti-Cal billing forms and sent to:

Denti-Cal
P. O. Box 15610
Sacramento, CA 95852-0610

These claims shall be subject to the same requirements, edits and audits as those submitted for Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Reimbursement rates will continue to be Medi-Cal rates of payment.

Those claims with a date of service prior to January 1, 1990 should continue to be sent to:

County Medical Services Program
714 P Street, Room 523
Sacramento, CA 95814
Attention: Kathy Grab

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Should you treat a patient for dates of service both before and after January 1, 1990, two claims must be submitted; one to Denti-Cal for services provided after January 1, and one to CMSP for services provided before January 1, 1990.

If you have any questions about these changes, please call Kathy Grab at (916) 739-3001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Grab" with "for" written below it.

Jim Martinez, Chief
County Medical Services Program